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General Akhtar Abdul Rahman Khan
Chairman, Joint Chiefs of Staff Committee
Joint Staff Headquarters
Rawalpindi, Pakistan

Dear General Akhtar:

Thank you for allowing me to interrupt your important schedule during my visit to co-chair our Seventh Pakistan-U.S. Consultative Group. It was a lively and informative session with you and another of my dear friends, Lt General Mohammad Iqbal.

Your opinions on Afghanistan are deeply appreciated and respected. They are also convincing, coherent, and brilliant in their simplicity.

I trust the Joint Chiefs of Staff Committee will benefit enormously during your tenure just as your previous organization did.

I will find a special place for the distinctive golf cap; another perfect touch.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "R. L. Armitage", is written over the typed name.

Richard L. Armitage